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Hon. Viktor V. Pohorelsky  
United States Magistrate Judge  
United States District Court  
225 Cadman Plaza  
Brooklyn, New York 11201

**Re: Allstate Insurance Company, et al. v. Mark Mirvis, et al.  
CV 08-4405 (SLT)(VVP)**

Dear Magistrate Judge Pohorelsky:

We are counsel to Plaintiffs in the above-referenced matter, and write to respectfully apprise the Court areas of inquiry (in addition to the areas of inquiry which were provided to the Court during the October 28, 2010 conference) which we believe the Court should focus on in its review of the tax returns and related documents provided by Defendant Gary Tsirelman (the "Defendant") to the Court for *in camera* inspection.

In particular, Plaintiffs believe that relevant information which may be contained in Defendant Tsirelman's tax returns include: 1) expenses incurred by Defendant in 2000 and 2001 relating to his purported ownership of Lamed Medical, P.C.; 2) loans made to, or received from, any Named Defendant; 4) monies received from or provided to any Named Defendant; 3) capital gains or capital losses incurred in association with the purported transfer of ownership of Lamed Medical, P.C. to Defendant in 2000, or from Defendant in 2001.<sup>1</sup> Plaintiffs also respectfully remind the Court that given the nature of the Complaint, which include allegations that Lamed Medical, P.C. was owned, controlled and operated by laypersons in violation of New York State law, the *omission* of information in Defendant Tsirelman's tax documents regarding the transfer of ownership of Lamed Medical, P.C. to, or from him, would be material and relevant to Plaintiffs claims. In that regard, to the extent that

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<sup>1</sup> Plaintiffs apprised the Court of the relevancy of these areas of inquiry during the May 4, 2010 court conference, and have attached a copy of the relevant portion of that day's transcript hereto for the Court's reference.

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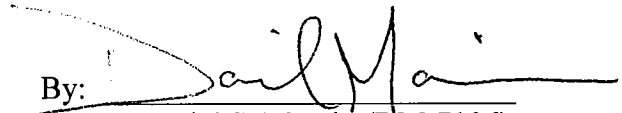
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Defendant has failed to provide the Court with his 2000 and/or 2001 tax records, Plaintiffs respectfully request that Defendant be directed to do so. As indicated above, 2000 and 2001 are years in which Defendant purportedly engaged in the transfer of Lamed Medical, P.C. Accordingly, Defendant's tax documents from those years are manifestly relevant to Plaintiffs claims.

Thank you for your consideration in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

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1 THE COURT: The question is the individual tax  
2 returns. My question for the plaintiffs is if they're going  
3 to give you bank records and that information what are the  
4 individual tax returns going to show? I guess -- do they --  
5 what is it that the individual tax returns will provide to  
6 you?

7 MS. BURGOS: Sandra Burgos again on behalf of the  
8 plaintiffs, Your Honor. What -- among the information that  
9 the personal tax returns will contain that are not or that we  
10 don't anticipate would be disclosed either in the corporate  
11 bank documents or in the corporate tax returns are those items  
12 that the defendants identify as personal expenses which may be  
13 a misnomer for --

14 THE COURT: Where would that be identified in an  
15 individual tax return?

16 MS. BURGOS: In their tax returns it would be  
17 identified, Your Honor, as to what their personal expenses  
18 are. In addition to that, there --

19 THE COURT: What tax returns file -- I don't itemize  
20 my personal expenses.

21 MS. BURGOS: It can be done though, Your Honor. They  
22 can identify certain personal expenses to the extent, for  
23 example, if certain -- if the defendants chose not to incur  
24 all of the expenses purportedly associated with the PCs  
25 through the PC and instead through themselves individually

1 those would presumably be itemized on their personal tax  
2 returns.

3 THE COURT: I'm not sure what -- what are you talking  
4 about? What kind of personal expenses?

5 MS. BURGOS: Personal expenses, Your Honor, for  
6 example, any individual expenses that they incurred relating  
7 to the PCs that are not disclosed on the corporate tax  
8 returns. In addition to that --

9 THE COURT: I'm still -- I'm not following that.  
10 What do you mean by personal expenses?

11 MS. BURGOS: Investments, for example, Your Honor.  
12 Mr. Furman in a footnote in opposition to plaintiffs'  
13 application indicates that the \$250,000.00 that were -- that  
14 the plaintiffs allege was funneled from the PCs to the lay  
15 persons was an investment. Well, that information whether it  
16 was a capital gain or a capital loss would be disclosed in  
17 their personal tax returns as opposed to some other form of  
18 financial document.

19 To the extent that the individual defendants chose  
20 to repay "loans" to either the lay person individuals, the  
21 money laundering companies, the billing management companies  
22 and other non parties that were owned, operated, managed and  
23 controlled by the lay persons, any interest paid on those  
24 loans would be reflected in their individual tax returns as  
25 opposed to any other financial record, and that's information

1 that would be exclusively available through that type of  
2 financial documentation, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: So you -- you would suggest that these --  
4 that their connections to the PCs could be reflected in those  
5 kinds of disclosures in their tax returns?

6 MR. STERN: Your Honor, Robert Stern for the  
7 plaintiffs. In addition to what Ms. Burgos has indicated,  
8 another example of capital loss or gain reflected in the  
9 personal tax returns would be in instances where a purported  
10 owner transferred yet a PC to another purported owner. Under  
11 such circumstances there may have been a capital gain or loss  
12 reported. Certainly we're entitled to know whether or not  
13 those losses or gains were reported.

14 THE COURT: Well, I don't know that you are entitled  
15 to know whether they were reported. You're entitled to know  
16 if that reflects an ownership interest or some kind of -- what  
17 the extent of an ownership interest in a PC might be.

18 Mr. Furman.

19 MR. FURMAN: Your Honor, I think by giving them the  
20 two years of personal records they're going to have and  
21 they're going to -- three years.

22 THE COURT: I know you're trying to roll it back.

23 MR. FURMAN: They're going to choose which years they  
24 want. They're going to get a great deal of information I'm  
25 sure by choosing the most appropriate or most potentially

1 appropriate years. The other materials that they're now  
2 mentioning it strikes me as highly speculative and -- I mean  
3 they're receiving on the one instance that we have where one  
4 particular provider made an investment that was related to  
5 management company and I assume that that's on their -- that's  
6 reflected on their personal returns. But there's no reason to  
7 believe that that is in fact duplicated by any other providers  
8 in this matter. I don't really think that it's appropriate to  
9 just extrapolate like that into what becomes a pretty  
10 intrusive inquiry into now the personal banking records and  
11 the personal tax returns which again [inaudible] privacy  
12 interest which I think should be protected unless there's  
13 reason not to do so.

14 As a fall back I suppose --

15 THE COURT: I'll solve the problem this way. You can  
16 produce the tax returns to me and I'll review them.

17 MR. STERN: Your Honor, the only thing I would also  
18 request since you'll be looking at them in camera I do want to  
19 point out another issue which will [inaudible] some bizarre  
20 and relevant.

21 THE COURT: When they're produced -- let me just say  
22 this. You're free to tell me what you think I should be  
23 looking for and I'll let Mr. Furman respond to that but --

24 MR. FURMAN: As long as that's done with notice to  
25 me.

1           THE COURT: Yes. Whatever they want -- anything they  
2 send to me they've got to send you a copy of obviously. So  
3 then when I conduct my review I'll know what I'm looking for  
4 but --

5           MR. STERN: Including the omission, Your Honor --

6           THE COURT: What?

7           MR. STERN: Including the omission of the capital  
8 loss or capital gains on a PC that was purportedly  
9 transferred. To us that would be relevant because it would  
10 demonstrate that they didn't treat the PC as their own because  
11 there was no loss or gain because in fact they never had an  
12 interest in the PC.

13           THE COURT: Well, if you can tell me that there was a  
14 capital -- that there was a transfer somewhere then you're  
15 going to -- then you can identify a particular transfer and  
16 then I'll see which -- you can do that in a letter. Mr.  
17 Furman will get a chance to see that.

18           MR. FURMAN: My response may be that --

19           THE COURT: Listen, I am not going to remember what  
20 your response may be. I'm not even going to remember what  
21 they just told me. So let's wait until this happens.

22           Let me get back -- I'm organizing this approach  
23 by -- first by looking at the defendants' -- I mean the  
24 plaintiffs' letter. The daily operation documents and the  
25 patient files. Let me --

1 MS. BURGOS: Sandra Burgos for the plaintiffs --

2 THE COURT: Let me go to -- I have request after  
3 request here and I don't know that -- I don't understand why  
4 you need 14 years of daily operations files. Many of these  
5 requests are -- well, I'm going to take first the disputed  
6 requests with respect to an individual, I guess the first  
7 individual Myra. Right?

8 MR. STERN: Yes, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: What I found to be left after reviewing  
10 the defendants' submission yesterday was Document Request 2  
11 had to do with the personal tax returns and what we did is  
12 we -- I resolved that by having you produce those to me for  
13 individuals, not for just Mr. Myra obviously. Although it  
14 looked like -- well, I don't -- and as to Document Request 3  
15 as to Mr. Myra income received from any other named defendant.

16 MS. BURGOS: Your Honor, Sandra Burgos on behalf of  
17 the plaintiffs. Together with the other financial documents  
18 is a category of similar financial documents that the  
19 plaintiffs have requested from both the individual defendant  
20 doctors and the PC defendants that relate to items such as  
21 balance sheets, profit and loss statements, general ledgers,  
22 any invoices reflecting expenses and other financial documents  
23 identifying the revenue and expenses of the PC and both on  
24 behalf of the PC defendants and the individual defendants, the  
25 defendants have refused to provide either the documentation